

WRITING ASSESSMENT
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Have you ever seen a back as tall as the ceiling begin to move? This story takes place at school in the hallway. It involves me trying to stop a backpack from running into a teacher.

One day, when I arrived at school early, I saw a large backpack in the hallway. It was moving so slow that I didn't know that it was moving at all. When it started to gain speed, I recognized that it was heading straight for a teacher. First, I tried running for the backpack that was really close to the teacher. As I did, the safety patrol caught me and said that I had to walk. Secondly, I tried pinching my self to see if I was dreaming, but I wasn't. Then, I decided to yell and see if the teacher would hear me. She did, but she told me to be quiet. After that, I tried making hand motions to the teacher, later I stopped because she didn't notice me. I was as frustrated as an animal rescuer that couldn't find a stuck kitten.

Finally, I decided to run while the person on safety patrol was getting a drink of water. When I was in front of the backpack the teacher looked angry. Then I realized that a magnet was on the backpack and in the teacher's hands. After that, the teacher

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walked up to me and said that she needed me to move out of the way. Then I realized, after I stepped away that she was doing a project on magnetism. Now I know that the scariest things can be things that embarrass you the most!

Score Point: 5

This response reflects a strong degree of proficiency in narrative writing skills. The writer introduces the story with a rhetorical question. The response is coherently developed, and key ideas are illustrated with specific details (moving so slow that I didn't know that it was moving at all and as frustrated as an animal rescuer that couldn't find a stuck kitten). The response is generally well organized through time using basic transitions (first, secondly, then, and finally). The use of fewer, more sophisticated transitions, and greater syntactic variety would be needed for a higher score.